GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
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BARREN LAND
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the financial assistance extended by the Union Government to State Governmentsparticularly to Madhya Pradesh for developing the barren land for permanent agricultural use during the last three years, State-wise; and

(b) the number of persons provided job-opportunities as a result of the abovesaid expenditure, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) & (b): Barren land refers to exposed steep mountain slopes, snow covered and such other areas, which cannot be brought under cultivation at an economical cost, hence there is no scheme for development of such areas.

However, Government of India is implementing following schemes in the country for development of wastelands and degraded lands :

A) Ministry of Agriculture

(i). National Watershed Development Project in Rainfed Areas(NWDPRA).

(ii). Soil Conservation for Enhancing Productivity of Degraded lands in the Catchments of River Valley Projects and Flood Prone Rivers(RVP&FPR).

(iii). Reclamation of Alkali Soils(RAS).

(iv). Watershed Development Project in Shifting Cultivation Areas(WDPSCA).

B. Ministry of Rural Development:

i) Integrated Wasteland Development Project(IWDP)
ii) Drought Prone Areas Programme(DPAP).
iii) Desert Development Programme(DDP).

The state-wise physical and financial progress made under the above programmes during the last three years are given at Annexure I & II respectively.

ANNEXURE-I

State-wise & Scheme-wise land covered under improvement of Wasteland and Degraded land during last three years (1999-2002)

(Area in 000` ha)

S.No.	States	IWDP	DDP	DPAP	RAS	WDPSCA	NWDPRA	RVP & FPR	Total
1	Andhra Pradweh	195.48	118.00	533.50		48.34	32.53	927.85	
2	Arunachal Pr	8.30		10.05	1.67		20.02		
3	Assam	193.13		8.91	0.00	0.54	202.58		
4	Bihar	8.00	37.00		1.94	0.00	46.94		
5	Chattisgargh	88.01	151.50		40.02	5.22	284.75		
6	Gujarat	110.48	477.00	334.50	2.00	170.29	21.04	1115.31	
7	Haryana	30.28	160.00	22.00	13.60	13.25	239.13		
8	Himachal Pr	193.83	109.00	67.00		17.91	16.00	403.74	
9	JharKhand	24.68	196.00		0.00	0.00	220.68		
10	Jammu & Kashmir	30.57	140.00	88.00		0.17	16.44	275.18	
11	Karnataka	116.23	218.50	379.50		132.16	91.66	938.05	
12	Kerala	19.47		66.65	1.83	87.95			
13	Madhya Pradesh	254.49	580.00		194.27	94.36	1123.12		
14	Maharashtra	169.46	546.50		151.80	53.46	921.22		
15	Manipaur	20.50		8.01	14.58	43.09			
16	Meghalaya	34.72		7.46	13.65	55.83			
17	Mizoram	113.12		20.93	30.40	0.83	165.28		
18	Nagaland	127.18		16.82	30.91	174.91			
19	Orissa	112.19	166.00		39.87	6.56	324.62		
20	Punjab	14.18	11.00	2.78	0.00	27.96			
21	Rajasthan	205.30	1036.50	192.50	2.00	323.86	73.51	1833.67	
22	Sikkim	42.94		13.57	0.00	56.51			
23	Tamil Nadu	157.61	180.00		150.93	13.90	502.44		
24	Tripura	19.42		10.02	21.92	1.77	53.13		
25	Uttar Pradesh	166.70	235.50		151.67	161.19	715.06		
26	Uttaranchal	79.16	119.00		30.94	19.53	248.63		
27	West Bengal	5.46	44.00		34.53	29.55	113.54		
28	Goa	2.80	2.80						
29	A&N Island		2.29	2.29					
30	Chandigarh			0.00					
31	D & N Haveli		0.00	0.00					
32	Delhi		0.00						
33	Daman & Diu			0.00					
34	Lakshadweep			0.00					
35	Pondicherry			0.00					
36	DVC(Jharkhand)			43.39	43.39				
	Total	2540.89	2259.00	3850.50	37.00	82.20	1703.52	696.56	11169.67

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ANNEXURE-II

State-wise & Scheme-wise amount spent on improvement of Wasteland and Degraded land during last three years (1999-2002)

(Rs. In Lakh)

States	IWDP	DDP	DPAP	RAS	WDPSCA	NWDPRA	RVP & FPR	Total
1 Andhra Pradweh	4276.90	2087.00	11497.00		981.73	1935.63	20778.26	
2 Arunachal Pra	85.85		321.77	80.00		487.62		
3 Assam	2337.63		387.00	134.88	17.91	2877.42		
4 Bihar	66.00	572.00		77.17	0.00	715.17		

5	Chattisgargh	697.90	1381.00	1399.89	259.15	3737.94		
6	Gujarat	2382.16	7454.00	3471.00	173.62	4087.63	1277.76	18846.17
7	Haryana	309.44	2748.00	291.83	320.39	421.59	4091.25	
8	Himachal Pr	2538.79	1220.00	654.00	828.49	1536.65	6777.93	
9	JharKhand	189.49	1569.00	49.32	0.00	1807.81		
10	J & K	693.13	1845.00	886.00	35.40	1383.91	4843.44	
11	Karnataka	1933.22	1713.00	4322.00	5236.56	3544.47	16749.25	
12	Kerala	241.03	2374.36	268.42	2883.81			
13	Madhya Pradesh	3982.29	8258.00	5242.81	3745.95	21229.05		
14	Maharashtra	1439.96	4553.00	5109.80	2825.28	13928.04		
15	Manipaur	825.11	462.00	695.00	1982.11			
16	Meghalaya	260.74	602.00	533.01	1395.75			
17	Mizoram	933.23	1385.00	1511.00	107.03	3936.26		
18	Nagaland	2419.11	1256.00	1595.00	5270.11			
19	Orissa	1905.94	1698.00	1529.94	302.30	5436.18		
20	Punjab	268.92	322.50	127.50	0.00	718.92		
21	Rajasthan	2499.75	19919.00	2562.00	96.31	11465.41	4580.02	41122.49
22	Sikkim	836.44	678.42	0.00	1514.86			
23	Tamil Nadu	1997.80	2600.00	4887.43	1505.20	10990.43		
24	Tripura	160.23	602.44	950.92	102.10	1815.69		
25	Uttar Pradesh	4169.27	3837.00	10.00	4873.34	5605.38	18494.99	
26	Uttaranchal	632.33	835.00	1196.03	1631.93	4295.29		
27	West Bengal	45.00	662.00	970.52	196.23	1873.75		
28	Goa	81.39	81.39					
29	A&N Island	91.57	91.57					
30	Chandigarh	0.00						
31	D & N Haveli	0.00	0.00					
32	Delhi	0.00						
33	Daman & Diu	0.00						
34	Lakshadweep	0.00						
35	Pondicherry	0.00						
36	DVC(Jharkhand)	3036.10	3036.10					
37	HQ/Others	15.00	52.00	127.00	194.00			
Total		38127.66	37001.00	49409.00	894.26	5016.21	57144.91	34410.01	222003.05

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